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Fourteen-year-old Kisaki Tachikawa has psychic powers. She works for PSI, a secret government agency that fights aliens. She's in love with her partner Giniro, hut PSI won't allow operatives to get involved. Just when Kisaki thinks she may be getting closer to Giniro, she finds out she's going to he transferred to California!

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Mistress Fortune
Angels Descend from the Sky?! Mistress Fortune★

HOLD UP, EBE!
AS LONG AS WE— FORTUNE QUARTZ....
...AND FORTUNE TIARA— ARE AROUND ...
BAM!
...YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY, POSITIVELY NOT ALLOWED ON EARTH!!

HUH?
fwoog
YES!
VU
P
TIARA! ATTACH TARGET STICKERS TO THE ENEMY!
stick on enemy
Target Sticker
Electromagnetic waves from their psychic powers will be drawn to the sticker.
flup
GRAAAAAAH
TIARA, OVER HERE!
QUARTZ!
STOP TAKING PHOTOS!
GET OVER HERE AND HELP ME!!
KIK

fwee
GOT HIM!
!?
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
SPIRIT THUN-DER!
AAH

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!
SEE? ☆
Psst I saved you didn't I!
Duh!
Don't get cocky!
I was scared!
HELLO, EVERYONE!
I'M KISAKI TACHIKAWA. AGE 14. I'M A SECOND-YEAR IN MIDDLE SCHOOL.
IT'S IS A SECRET, BUT I'M A PSYCHIC. ♡

The Team's Abilities
1 They can fly.
2 They can emit electromagnetic waves.
3 They can use psychokinesis.
And more!
AND WE FIGHT THE EBE (EXTRATERRESTRIALS) WHO COME IN FROM SPACE EVERY DAY.
I'M A MEMBER OF A TWO-PERSON PSYCHIC TEAM KNOWN AS "MISTRESS FORTUNE." WE WORK FOR PSI, A SECRET ORGANIZATION IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE.
MY CODE NAME IS "FORTUNE TIARA."
They have ESP and psychokinetic powers!
EBE
(pronounced ee-bee)
There are many types.
They're mysterious.
THIS BOY IS GINIRO HASHIBA. HE'S ALSO 14 AND A SECOND-YEAR IN MIDDLE SCHOOL.
HE'S MY PARTNER. HIS CODE NAME IS "FORTUNE QUARTZ."
AND ...

BUT ...
AGAIN
MY UPPER ARMS HAVE GOTTEN FAT AGAIN ...
IT'S FROM THAT PSYCHIC POWER DRINK PSI GIVES US!!
Uh-huh...
MY POWERS AREN'T THAT STRONG, SO I HAVE TO DRINK IT TO FIGHT...
Less power to weight gain...
Ack
ESPD
Psychic Drink
PSI
Specialty
Main ingredient is saccharine.
If you drink it, it boosts your supernatural powers for a while.
HE'S THE GUY I LIKE.

DON'T WORRY, KISAKI!
Jiii
B-BUT
G-GINIRO?
FAT UPPER ARMS MEANS YOU'VE GOT BIG BOOBS.
AMAZING!!
Your size DD boobs!!
They bounce!
Jrrp
KLG KLG KLG
...THE ONLY THING THAT INTERESTS HIM ABOUT ME IS MY SIZE DD BREASTS!!
ZZT ZZT ZZT ZZT
Gya
UNFORTUNATELY IT SEEMS...
Kup

UNDER-GROUND TRAINING FACILITY AT PSI
BEGIN ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PULSE SHOOTING SEQUENCE !
YOU CAN GO HOME WHEN YOUR TOTAL SCORE FROM HITTING THE TARGET IS MORE THAN 500 POINTS.
B-BMP B-BMP B-BMP
Yeah!!
PIECE OF CAKE.
BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT
THOT
DONE!!

VUP
HOW'D YOU DO, KISAKI ?!
Flutter
SKOONG
DO OM
...
...
...
ZERO POINTS.
JOMP
GO ON HOME, GINIRO ...
SIGH
I HAVE TO STAY BEHIND
THERE WAS A TV DRAMA I WANTED TO SEE...
KISAKI. START AGAIN !
...

AH... YES!
KOU
KYU
G
SHUUN
5,000 POINTS.
SHE CAN GO HOME NOW, CAN'T SHE?!

HEY! NO CHEATING!
RUN, KISAKI !!
OKAY !
HE'S NOT ROMANTIC AT ALL.
HE'S A LITTLE BIT PERVERTED AND CAN BE REBELLIOUS AT TIMES, BUT...
GINIRO ...
I LOVE YOU.
GINIRO ...
KYAH!
GINIRO! ♡ HE SOUNDS SO COOL!

YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON I'VE TOLD ABOUT MY POWERS AND THE ORGANI-ZATION....
DON'T WORRY! MY LIPS ARE SEALED!
SHH!
LOWER YOUR VOICE, KAGAMI!
IT'S ALREADY COOL THAT HE HAS SUPER-NATURAL POWERS, BUT HE'S KIND TOO. YOU MUST BE HEAD OVER HEELS IN LOVE WITH HIM, KISAKI!♡
I WONDER WHICH MIDDLE SCHOOL GINIRO GOES TO?
IF I KNEW, I'D GO HIT ON HIM.
KAGA-MI!!
HMPH
COMMANDER GUNJO SAID WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO EXCHANGE PERSONAL INFORMATION
GINIRO ENTERED PSI WHEN HE WAS 5 YEARS OLD...
...AND HIS POWERS ARE STRONG. HE'S AN EXPERT.
I'M JUST A ROOKIE WHO ENTERED THE ORGANI-ZATION LAST YEAR.
THAT'S ALL WE KNOW ABOUT EACH OTHER.
I ONLY SEE HIM ON TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS FOR TRAINING.
I WANT TO FIND OUT WHICH SCHOOL GINIRO GOES TO, BUT HUNDREDS OF SCHOOLS HAVE THAT UNIFORM...
It's impossible.

touched
HERE, KISAKI.
?
Plushy
I JUST SIGNED UP WITH A NEW CELL PHONE COMPANY ...
... AND THEY GAVE IT TO ME AS A FREEBIE.
Wapy
THEY TOLD ME THAT IT WOULD HELP MAKE WISHES OF LOVE COME TRUE!
THAT'S WHY IT'S FOR YOU.♡
KAGAMI ...
K-LAP
YOU'RE A TRUE FRIEND, KAGAMI !!
DON'T WORRY! MUM'S THE WORD!
Crêpes
Crêpes next.
!
OH! WAIT, KAGAMI!
WHAT'S YOUR PHONE NUMBER ?
...

THAT'S IT!!
PHONE NUMBER?
AH... UM..
I JUST REMEMBERED I HADN'T GIVEN YOU MINE...
CAN I SEND IT TO YOU BY INFRARED?
IT'S JUST AN EXCUSE. I WANT TO KNOW GINIRO'S. I WANT TO KNOW! I WANT TO KNOW!!
It's okay, isn't it?
...
BUT WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION.
HUH?
ZARK

OH---
RIGHT.
WHAT?
I...
WHY...
I KNOW THAT...
BUT---
WHY IS HE...
BEEP
THAT'S A NO-NO, KISAKI!
AND WHAT IF THE PUBLIC FINDS OUT ABOUT PEOPLE LIKE YOU? YOU'RE AWARE OF WHAT YOU'LL HAVE TO GO THROUGH WHEN THAT HAPPENS, DON'T YOU?
WHAT IF TWO PSYCHICS MEET UP OUTSIDE THE ORGANIZATION AND THE EBE FIND OUT ABOUT THIS PLACE?
COM-MANDER?!
Where is he?!

SHARING THE INFORMATION OF ANYONE UNDER 18 YEARS OLD IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED!
THAT APPLIES TO PARTNERS AS WELL.
GLOOM
IF THERE'S SOMETHING YOU WANT TO TALK TO ME ABOUT ...
...YOU CAN ALWAYS TELL ME WHEN WE'RE HERE.
Y-YES... OF COURSE.
WHAT IS IT?
I WAS WONDERING IF I COULD DEVELOP CLAIRVOYANCE SO I COULD SEE YOU NAKED!!
GUGUGU
And I was trying to get closer to him...
GRIP

KISAKI?
tmp tmp tmp
FINISH YOUR HOME-WORK BEFORE DINNER, OKAY?
tmp
STUPID GINIRO!
KRACK!
GINIRO, YOU LETCH!!
STUPID PERVERT!
GRAWL
YARL
I KNOW THAT!
BUT WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SHARE PERSONAL INFOR-MATION.
AND HOW CAN I TELL HIM HOW I FEEL IN A PLACE WHERE EVERYONE CAN OVERHEAR?
BUT ...
BUT ...

I STILL WANT TO KNOW.
BAH!
Then I'll just write everything in my diary!
I'll write everything!
I will know you
GINIRO, YOU MORON!

"DO YOU HAVE BROTHERS OR SISTERS?"
"WHO'S YOUR BEST FRIEND?"
IN MY DIARY I CAN ASK, "WHERE DO YOU LIVE?"
GINIRO ...
"WHAT KIND OF TV SHOWS DO YOU LIKE?"
"WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE COLOR? WHAT KIND OF MUSIC DO YOU LISTEN TO?"
IN MY DREAMS ...
"WHERE DO YOU GO TO SCHOOL?"
GINIRO ...
I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU, BUT I CAN'T ASK.
I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU.
"IS THERE A GIRL YOU LIKE?"

IF ONLY ALL THE OTHER GIRLS ...
IT'S SO DISHEARTENING...
...WOULD JUST DISAPPEAR FROM THE WORLD.
THEN GINIRO...
...WOULD BE INTERESTED ONLY IN ME...
...
I REALLY SHOULDN'T EVEN THINK THINGS LIKE THAT.
MUP
FORGIVE ME, PEOPLE OF THE WORLD.

Greetings.

Hello. I'm Arina Tanemura.

I bring you *Mistress☆Fortune*.

It's been a while since I've written a one-volume series (so far there is no talk about continuing this series).

The first chapter of this ran in the magazine together with the final chapter of *ShinKaro*... So it has a special place in my heart.

Since *ShinKaro* continued for almost four years (oh, when I say *ShinKaro*, I mean *The Gentlemen's Alliance†*), I wanted to relax a bit after so I created this as a three-chapter series.

I thought, "It's only three chapters long, so I'll just relax and enjoy myself." Many people told me they liked the "relaxed" atmosphere in this, which I was very happy to hear.

I didn't create many characters on purpose, so as a result I really like all the characters in this. (Well I usually don't include characters I don't like, or change them. ^^;)

KISAKI! REMEMBER TO STUDY FOR YOUR EXAM!
I WILL!
6/25
AFTER SCHOOL I WENT SHOPPING WITH KAGAMI. SHE GOT HER FIRST CELL PHONE & I GOT ME A PLUSHIE THAT SHE GOT

SEVERAL PSYCHICS ARE MISSING FROM THE TEAMS?!
WHAT ?!
flurry
flurry
DON'T TELL HQ ABOUT IT YET!
MY PARTNER LIGHT IS GONE TOO
flurry
flurry
I CAN'T GET IN CONTACT WITH HIM
flurry
flurry
ARE THEY ON STRIKE ?!
IS IT A STRIKE ?!
WAAH!
DON'T CRY !!
WHERE'S LEAF?!
FLARE AND CLAIRE ARE MISSING TOO!
Eh...
I DON'T KNOW MUCH, BUT IT SEEMS SOME OF THE PSYCHICS WORKING FOR THE ORGANIZATION HAVE GONE MISSING
Everyone is freaking out.
WHAT ...
...IS GOING ON?
THE SATELLITE IS TRACKING A TRANSMISSION BY AN EBE.
WHAT ?
SO AN EBE IS BEHIND THIS?!
This is bad!
INTERCEPTION COMPLETE!
It seems to be some kind of file.
I'LL BRING IT UP ON THE SCREEN!

DRAW-INGS ?!
DRAW ...
I'VE SEEN THOSE BEFORE ...
SHI-I-NG
NO— I'VE DRAWN THOSE BEFORE !!
IT C-C-CAN'T BE!
shuttering

WHAT'S GOING ON?!
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?
MAYBE KAGAMI WASN'T AT SCHOOL BECAUSE SHE'S MISSING TOO?!
What is this?!
THOSE ARE THE DRAWINGS FROM MY DIARY!
IF ONLY ALL THE OTHER GIRLS WOULD JUST DISAPPEAR FROM THE WORLD..
ぐぅ
THAT MUST BE THE EBE!!
I can't believe this...
THIS MIGHT BE MY FAULT ...
KISAKI ?
HUH ?
IT MIGHT BE MY FAULT ---
...THAT EVERY-ONE HAS GONE MISSING ...

"IF ONLY ALL THE OTHER GIRLS WOULD JUST DISAP-PEAR" ?!
Why would you even think that, Kisaki?
THAT EBE MUST HAVE THE ABILITY TO EXECUTE PEOPLE'S THOUGHTS AND IDEAS!
IT MUST HAVE TAKEN KISAKI'S IDLE THOUGHTS SERIOUSLY!
GATHER EVERY HIGH-RANKING PSYCHIC AVAILABLE !!
ANYONE WHO CAN GET READY IMMEDI-ATELY!
Shk shk
THIS IS TERRIBLE.
WHAT HAVE I DONE?
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'VE IN-VOLVED KAGAMI IN THIS...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
WHAT CAN I DO ...?

I'LL GO!
WE'LL GO!
WHAT?
BUT KISAKI'S POWERS ARE STILL UNSTABLE
SHE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO GO UP AGAINST A LEVEL 5 ESPER
I'LL SUPPORT HER! WE'LL BE FINE!

PLEASE LET US TAKE RESPON-SIBILITY FOR THIS.
BMP
GINIRO ...
PLEASE.
PLEASE, COM-MANDER !
HEH
DON'T MESS IT UP.

LET'S GO !!
MISTRESS ☆ FORTUNE !!
AWAK- ENING ANGELS ...

THE EBE IS LOCATED AT SIX O'CLOCK.
WE'RE PICKING UP A HUGE ENERGY READING IN A TEN-MILE RADIUS!
START YOUR AP-PROACH.
POI?
It's Heat-ray.
ROGER.
AND THANKS.
QUARTZ, I'M SORRY ...
... ABOUT ALL THIS.
IT WAS THE ONLY THING TO DO.
PLEZ

SO WHY DID YOU WISH THAT ALL THE GIRLS IN THE WORLD WOULD DISAPPEAR?
EEK!
UM... WE SHOULD GET GOING !!
HEY, DON'T CHANGE THE SUB-JECT.
AAAHI HE'S HOLD-ING MY HAND!
IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU, QUARTZ.
ME?
GINIRO, YOU...
B-BMP
B-BMP
B-BMP
B-BMP
RHHH
EH?

A...
...TOR-NADO ?!
FWOO-
TWI-
TWI-
TWI-

GLO—OM
WHAT DO THESE EBE WANT, ANYWAY...
WE DON'T KNOW. THE ORGANIZATION IS TRYING TO CAPTURE THEM TO FIND OUT, RIGHT?
AND ONLY GIRLS WERE TAKEN ...
WHAT A HAREM !!
QUARTZ!
HMPH
LOOK, QUARTZ, OVER THERE!
Vhoo
?!
KAGAMI !
MY MOM IS IN THERE TOO!
IT'S ALREADY CAPTURED SO MANY!
FWHHH
I'M
SHINK

FWOO
TIARA! USE THE TARGET STICKERS!!
GOT IT!
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. IT'S JUST AIR, SO THE TARGET STICKERS WON'T STICK.
The tornado...
THEN I'LL STOP THE TORNADO WITH MY PSYCHO-KINESIS ...
KISAKI PUNCHED HIM.
My nose is bleeding ~
GO THE STICKERS ONTO THAT EBE
OOH
SORRY ...
OKAY ...
GLUM
I MESSED UP AGAIN !!
THEY WERE ALL BLOWN AWAY IN THE WIND...

Kisaki Tachikawa

A 14-year-old in love. She gets good grades at school. She promised her mom her grades would always be in the top ten in order to be allowed to enter PSI.

I can only say that Giniro is her type of guy. She really likes his looks the best then his physique and voice and...the little things about him you know.

I gave her wavy hair because the heroine of my last series (Haine) had straight hair. I wanted to make Giniro a little lecherous, so I gave Kisaki size DD breasts.

Fortune Tiara's name was actually Fortune Aqua at first. But after finishing the storyboard, as I got ready to do the final draft I was told that there already was an 'Aqua' in a popular magical girls series. Phew! What a surprise!!

But I really like name 'Tiara' now.♥

I DIDN'T WANT TO CAUSE MORE PROBLEMS FOR GINIRO...
THEN WE'LL STOP ITS ENERGY WITH OUR OWN.
WE HAVE TO STRIKE THAT TORNADO WITH AN ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PULSE THAT'S JUST AS LARGE.
BUT WITHOUT THE TARGET STICKERS ...
...THE GIRLS INSIDE WILL GET HIT TOO!
I'LL GO INSIDE AND CREATE A FORCE FIELD AROUND THEM.
Don't worry.
I SEE! THAT'LL WORK.
YAHOO

WAIT— DOES THAT MEAN I'M THE ONE WHO HAS TO STRIKE THE TORNADO ?!
IT'S ALL UP TO YOU, TIARA!
PO
PLEASE, TIARA.
CREATING A FORCE FIELD IN THAT WILL BE EVEN HARDER.
IF..
IF I FAIL... GINIRO WILL BE IN DANGER TOO.
That's... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. COMPLETELY IMPOSSIBLE !!
DON'T SAY THAT. IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE— JUST GO WITH THE FLOW!
YOU KNOW IT AS WELL AS I DO, QUARTZ !!
I'M A TERRIBLE PSYCHIC! I CAN'T CONTROL MY POWERS LIKE YOU!
The target is huge so you can't miss it!
SO WHAT ?
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE !
GINIRO ...
VUP

GRIP
I'LL DO IT!
I PROMISE YOU I'LL DO MY VERY BEST!
HEH
IECE OF CAKE.
LET'S DO IT.
1
2
3

TAKE-OFF!
FULL POWER !!
ウシ
ヤア
ト

TIARA !!
NOW !!
SHUUUU
UU
SPIRIT THUNDER!
THIS
KRA
KRA
AAAH!

I CAN'T DO IT. MY HANDS ARE SHAKING, AND I CAN'T FOCUS MY POWERS!
I HAVE TO GATHER THE SAME AMOUNT OF ENERGY AS THAT TORNADO.
THAT'S ENOUGH, TIARA! I'LL SEND ANOTHER TEAM!
HALT
fweel
GEH!
THE CHANCE...
...GINIRO GOT FOR ME TO REDEEM MYSELF!
THIS IS MY LAST CHANCE...
!
PLEASE WAIT!
JUST ONCE MORE !
PLEASE GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE !!

I'M GOING TO SAVE THEM ALL!
AH...
TIARA!!
UH...
SPIRIT THUNDER!

GINIRO
...
NO MATTER HOW FAR BEHIND YOU I AM, I WANT TO REACH WHERE YOU ARE NOW.
I WANT TO BE CLOSER TO YOU...
...SO I CAN FLY AS HIGH AS YOU.
I WANT YOU TO SMILE AND TELL ME THAT I'VE DONE WELL...
URGH.
MORE. MORE...
KRAK
KRAK
ACK ...
I NEED MORE ...
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK

I WANT TO SEE THAT SMILE!
MORE!!
KRO
OOOO
OOOO

VS
SH
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
YOU...
PUB
PUB
HUFF
HUFF

YAY! I REALLY DID IT!
YOU DID IT, TIARA !!
WE DID IT!!
OH!
They're falling...
THE PEOPLE! THE PEOPLE! THE PEOPLE!
I'm so sorry...
I'm sorry kagami.
Um, kisaki...?
GYOO.
SO THIS IS AN EBE.

...BUT YOU TRIED TO MAKE MY WISH COME TRUE, DIDN'T YOU?
IT WAS A LITTLE EXTREME ...
GYAO
GYAO
DID IT HURT? I'M SORRY.
IT SEEMS TO HAVE USED UP ALL ITS POWERS.
...LIKE WISHING ALL THE GIRLS AWAY.
I'LL NEVER AGAIN WISH FOR SOMETHING AWFUL...
COME HERE, YOU.
SMILE
...I WANT HIM TO BE HAPPIEST WHEN HE'S WITH ME
BUT NO MATTER HOW MANY GIRLS ARE CLOSE TO GINIRO...
I WANT TO BE ABLE TO HELP YOU, GINIRO.
I'LL KEEP DOING MY BEST AS "TIARA."
SO...
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN FIGHT BY HIS SIDE.

B-BM
STUPID KISAKI ...
Stupid ?!
HUH? WHY?!
fwup
fwup
fwup
fwup
ACK! IT STILL HAS SOME POWER LEFT!
WHAT ARE THOSE? PHOTOS ?!
fwup
fwup
fwup
fwup

STOP! KISAKI, DON'T LOOK AT THEM !!
VUP
YEEK
THESE CAME OUT WHEN GINIRO WAS HOLDING THE EBE...!
ARE THESE IMAGES OF YOUR THOUGHTS ?!
DOO M
GINIRO...
JOIN
KISAKI'S BOOBS.
HER BUST.
SIZE DD.

GUGUGUGU
KISAKI, WAIT!
EEEEEEEE
LET ME EXPLAIN!
LET ME EXPLAIN!
GIRO, YOU STUPID IDIOT!
I don't want to hear it!
DAAAAH
I STILL CAN'T HEAR GINIRO'S HEART.
...STILL HAS ITS ACK TO ME.
SO LOVE...

BUT FOR NOW, THE TWO OF US ARE...
AWAKENING ANGELS, MISTRESS ☆ FORTUNE.
You two are quite chummy aren't you?
...
EBE Data
GRAH
GINIRO ☆!
PLEASE! MAY I HAVE A PHOTO OF KISAKI'S SIZE DD BOOBS?! JUST ONE?!
DESUYO!!

The series has become a VOMIC!

Mistress Fortune has become a VOMIC on the Shueisha S-Raji site!! A VOMIC is basically like a radio drama that you can listen to as you read the manga. You can listen to them for free (in Japanese), so please give it a try.

http://vomic.shueisha.co.jp/

Cast

Kisaki Tachikawa: Ai Matayoshi
Ginjiro Hashiba: Kenichi Suzumura
Ebe-ko: Chiaki Saito

Mistress Fortune
A Fight Like No Other! A Maiden's Heart Lies Within Her Breast?!

TANEMURA
BIP
089.0
lbs
B-BUMP
BUMP
BUMP
AAAAH!
BIP

THE DIET WORKED ?
YAY
WELL DONE, KISAKI !!
glee
THAT EBE IS TALKING ...
IT TALKS ?
I LOST SIX POUNDS IN A MONTH! ♡
glee
glee
shk
shk
There's NO need for celebration!
B
OM
WHY ARE GIRLS ALWAYS DIETING ?!
KISAKI'S BOOBS ...
HER CUP SIZE...
shk
shk

...IS NEARLY HALF AN INCH SMALLER THAN BEFORE !!
Woe is me!!
weep weep weep weep
Stop checking them out!
NOW I CAN WEAR SWEATERS IN WINTER.
I WANT THEM A LITTLE SMALLER.
HE'S SENSITIVE TO CHANGE.
BY THE WAY, GINIRO ... ♡
IF WE CAN'T EX-CHANGE EMAIL, TELL ME YOUR PHONE NUMBER.
Okay? ♡
HUH?
YOU'RE STILL STUCK ON THAT WORTH-LESS TOPIC, HUH?
SHEESH
WORTH-LESS ?
GRR
TWO

KRAK
Spirit Thunder!
GINIRO, YOU MORON !!
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
You fried him—
I DON'T WANT IT NOW.
FWIRT
PEEL
A LEVEL 2 EBE HAS BEEN SIGHTED IN SHINJUKU.
THOUGH IT'S SMALL, IT HAS A FORCE FIELD.
BUT IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET CLOSE TO IT.
PSI COMMANDER D.r. HARUKA GUNJO

About the Radio

[Note: The S-Raji site is no longer available.]

I've updated my radio broadcast.

It's an Internet radio broadcast so you can only listen to it from your computer but I hope you listen to it at the Shanisha S-Raji site. ♥

The site is going to be renewed in December 2008 and the radio section will be updated.

Anyone who sends in a message will get a 'rambling standby' image as a present! (Every time you open your cell phone a drawing of me will appear and ramble something.)

Recording for the radio is really fun. Let me tell you what a recording day is like. ↓

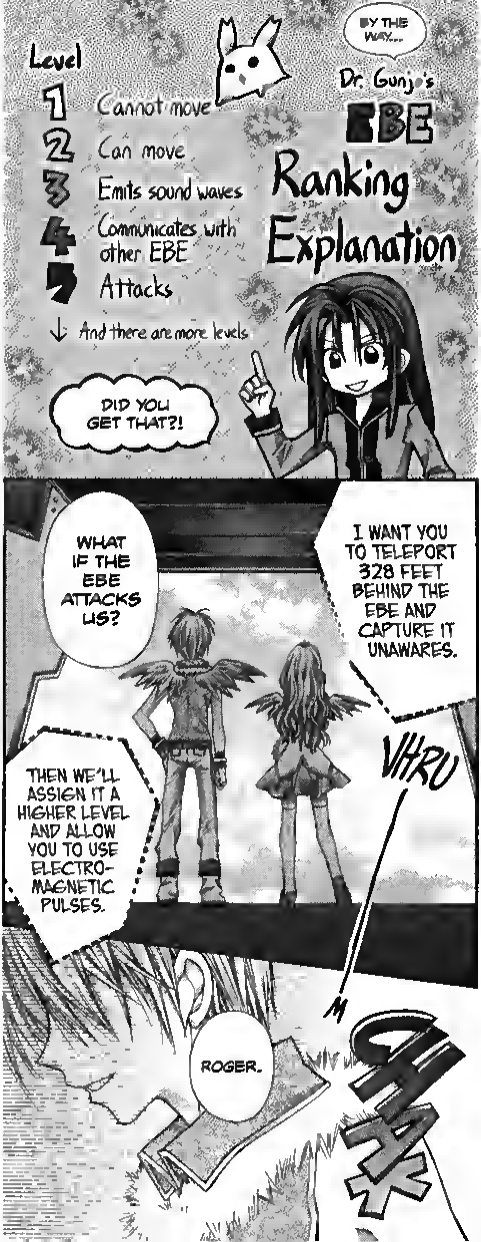
14:00 I go to the studio.
↓
We have a meeting as I march on something they have for me. (I often go without eating first so they have sandwiches and whatnot...) Thank you very much. ♥ How embarrassing! ///
↑ The time changes pretty often.

↓
15:00 I record my first broadcast. (We usually start with the Manga Academy section.)
↳ It takes time to get all the tools ready and to set everything up.

↓
16:30 Take a break. (second meeting)

↓
17:00 I record the second broadcast.

↓
18:30 Finished!
↳ The time we finish changes all the time. We've almost never had a day that we finished on schedule. (laugh)


BY THE WAY...
Dr. Gunj's
EBE
Ranking Explanation
Level
1 Cannot move
2 Can move
3 Emits sound waves
4 Communicates with other EBE
5 Attacks
↓ And there are more levels
DID YOU GET THAT?!
WHAT IF THE EBE ATTACKS US?
I WANT YOU TO TELEPORT 328 FEET BEHIND THE EBE AND CAPTURE IT UNAWARES.
VHRU
THEN WE'LL ASSIGN IT A HIGHER LEVEL AND ALLOW YOU TO USE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PULSES.
ROGER.
GAK

LET'S GO!
AWAK-
ENING
ANGELS
...

MISTRESS
☆
FORTUNE
!!

HMPH!
...SHOULD JUST MAKE UP.
YOU BOTH
DON'T GIVE ME A GENERIC NAME JUST BECAUSE THIS IS A SHORT SERIES!
OBVIOUSLY!
YOU'RE SMALL, FEMALE, AND AN EBE, SO WE'LL CALL YOU "EBE-KO."
SHOCK!
DON'T BRING UP MY BELOVED IDOLS SO CASUALLY!
STOP BEING A BRAT!
AND DON'T FOLLOW US!
WHY CAN'T I HAVE A NICE NAME LIKE "MARON" OR "MEROKO"?
CHOCOLATE DRINK
EH?
Shut up!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ANYWAY, EBE-KO?!
SINCE WHEN DID MY NAME BECOME "EBE-KO"?
I'll just look out in the panel!
HMPH!

SHE REALLY☆ LIKES HER NAME!!
MELAN-CHOLY
THE PSI SET ME, EBE-KO, FREE UNDER THE CONDITION THAT I HELP YOU TWO.
BUT WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?
It's a mutually beneficial relationship.
Uuoo
ARGH
snuggle
Pork Pork
QUARTZ! DON'T BULLY EBE-KO !!
TIARA!
She's a girl you know !!
YOU!! GET OFF TIARA!
Those are my ODs!!
Those are my ODs!!
Those are my ODs!!
NEENEE.
Enough.
DON'T GET ANGRY AT EBE-KO.
LOOK AT HOW SMALL SHE IS! WE HAVE TO PROTECT HER!

GRR
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
SHE'S SPOILED BECAUSE YOU PAMPER HER LIKE THAT, TIARA.
GLARE
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
HUH ?
phwaaan

fwoo
I-IT'S ---
...THE EBE... SUCKING US IN.
Oof!
AAAH!
WOO
F
thoop ☆
Yippee!
Heave-ho
SPOOSH
AAH!
TIARA! QUARTZ!

GURK
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE BEEN SHRUNK INSIDE SOME KIND OF SPECIAL JAR.
EBE-KO, CAN YOU COMMUNI-CATE WITH THAT EBE?
GRIB
I'LL TRY!
GYOO
fwee
fwee
fwee
TIARA! QUARTZ! DO SOME-THING!

9 u g
WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THIS JAR GOES ASHORE BEFORE WE CAN OPEN THE LID.
There's a nice view from here.
I can't reach the lid open while it's in the river.
OKAY.
IT'S BLOCKING ME. I CAN'T TELEPORT...
...OR USE PSYCHO-KINESIS.
I CAN'T HEAR THE COM-MANDER EITHER.
OH
HNGH
...

I LIKE GINIRO.
SO WHY DO WE END UP FIGHTING?
I REALLY DO LOVE HIM.
WHY...
...IS IT LIKE THIS NOW?
BUT
IT REALLY MADE ME SAD
TO HEAR HIM SAY IT WAS "WORTH-LESS."
shff
...MY FEEL-INGS FOR HIM DON'T MEAN ANY-THING.
I DON'T WANT HIM TO TELL ME...

KISAKI, WHAT'S WRONG?! DON'T CRY!
ARE YOU HURT?!
swip
swip
ACK
grip
I DON'T LIKE IT...
...WHEN WE FIGHT.
!
I WON'T ASK FOR YOUR EMAIL OR PHONE NUMBER AGAIN...
...SO DON'T GET MAD...
...AT ME...

IT'S SO HARD ...
...NOT BEING ABLE TO...
...REALLY TALK TO YOU, GINIRO!
I WANTED ...
...TO ASK FOR YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TOO.
!
BUT WHAT IF THE OTHERS FIND OUT...
...AND DISBAND US?

WHAT IF WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SEE EACH OTHER ANY-MORE?
COM-PARED TO THAT...
...AN EMAIL ADDRESS ---
....IS WORTH-LESS.

I DON'T HAVE A HOME ANY-MORE.
WHEN I WAS FIVE, MY POWERS AWOKE...
...AND THEY WENT OUT OF CONTROL, DESTROYING MY HOUSE.
MY DAD AND OLDER SISTER...
...DIED WHEN THE HOUSE WAS DESTROYED.
MY MOM ...
...HAS BEEN IN A COMA FOR THE PAST NINE YEARS. SHE NEVER WOKE UP AFTER THAT.
DR. GUNJO HAS DONE A LOT FOR ME...
...SO I CAN'T JUST QUIT THE ORGANI-ZATION.
WHAT ABOUT YOUR FAMILY ?
HUH?
That's terrible!
I LIVE IN THE RESEARCH LAB NOW.
THEY CONVERTED A ROOM FOR ME.

EVERY-
THING
WAS MY
FAULT...
GINIRO...
IS THAT
WHY YOU
PRACTICED
SO HARD
TO BECOME
A HIGH-
RANKING
PSYCHIC?
HE
DOESN'T
WANT
TO HURT
ANYONE
AGAIN,
SO HE...
HE
PROBABLY
HAS ONLY
BAD
MEMORIES
ABOUT HIS
POWERS.
HE
BLAMES
HIMSELF
FOR
EVERY-
THING...

HAD TO KNOW WHAT WAS
THE STEAM
I OPENED THE RICE COOKER ONCE WHILE IT WAS STILL ON AND MY MOM GOT REALLY MAD!
Mine's a little more serious than that...
Eh...
Plu
S/6
I UNDER-STAND...
b
SINCE THEN, I ALWAYS COOK THE RICE!
EVEN IF I SOMETIMES FORGET TO DO OTHER CHORES ...
...OR STUDY-ING FOR EXAMS ...
EVEN WHEN I HAVE TRAINING ...
...I NEVER FORGET TO COOK THE RICE!

I'M SURE ...
...YOU'LL FIND SOME WAY TO FORGIVE YOURSELF, GINIRO.
WE'LL FIND IT.
LET'S...
...LOOK FOR IT TOGETHER.

THE HEAVINESS INSIDE YOUR HEART...
SURE.
...PLEASE LET ME STAY BY YOUR SIDE.
SO...
IF THERE IS A TIME YOU CAN'T CARRY IT ALONE...
I'LL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU TO HELP.

OOH
BMPH
WHMP
WHOA.
ACK!
AAAH
THUD
EEEK! QUARTZ !!
YOU'RE ALWAYS GOING ON ABOUT MY BREASTS, SO WHY FAINT NOW?!
I can't believe you...
SNK SNK
AH.
Her boobs hit my...
His face hit my...
AH!
I saw it.
AH!

HEH
HEH
HEH
HEH
HEH
BA
N
UKU
ZISH
?!
QUARTZ!
HUH?

I GOT YOU NOW ...
... EBE ...
!!
WHAT IS THIS?
OH NO!
HAS HE LOST CONTROL ?!
KP AK
KP AK
KP AK
KP AK

JUST TIP OVER THE JAR!!
GLOO
TI-ARA!!
PUM PUM PUM
EBE-KO!!
I'm so glad to see you!
GET ME OUT OF HERE!
Pop
Good I'm back to my original size!
QUARTZ, STOP IT!
IF THAT EBE DIES, COMMANDER GUNJO WILL HAVE TO WRITE A HUNDRED-PAGE REPORT AS TO WHY IT HAPPENED.
STOP AND LISTEN TO ME!
?!
A hundred pages!!
FWOK
FWOK
LET'S ASK DR. GUNJO FOR HELP.
NAH... IT'S OKAY.
I'll use my trump card.

I'LL STOP DIET-ING!!
PROMISE?!

DR. GUNJO HAS GIVEN YOU PERMISSION TO ATTACK THE EBE.
TIARA ...
ALL RIGHT. HOLD ON TIGHTLY TO IT, QUARTZ.
You know my aim is bad.
HUH?
THOOM

BEGONE, PERVERTS ...
GLARE
EEEK!
GYAAAAA
SPIRIT THUN-DER!

OH! WELL DONE! WELL DONE!
I'M SO GLAD I DON'T HAVE TO WRITE A HUNDRED-PAGE REPORT.
I'M GOING HOME THEN.
RIGHT! NICE WORK, KISAKI.
ADIOS, AMIGA.
BYE-BYE, GINIRO. ♪
SEE YOU.
...

KISAKI.
HUH ?!
SWIP
KISAKI.
CAN YOU HEAR ME?
!
TELE-PATHY ...?

VWIP
VWIP
HA HA
IT'S THE SAME AS WHEN YOU USE PSYCHO-KINESIS.
JUST SEND OUT YOUR THOUGHTS ...
...USING A VERY GENTLE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVE.
I CAN'T DO SOMETHING THAT HIGHLY SKILLED!
PANIC!!
?,?
B-BM
HE'S NEVER TRIED TO COMMUNICATE LIKE THIS WITH ME BEFORE.
CAN YOU USE TELEPATHY, KISAKI?
BUT ...
I WANT TO COMMUNI-CATE...
NNNGH
...WITH GINIRO!
VHM
GINIRO !!
OMM

I went to the Republic of Maldives.

I went to the Republic of Maldives at the end of October in 2008. I had really, really wanted to go there for the last four years and I was finally able to. I stayed at the W Retreat & Spa Maldives. It was just wonderful! (You'll find images and entries on my blog about it. http://rikakai.arina.lolipop.jp/)

There were so many types of fish and they were all so pretty☆!! I've never been too fond of the sea but I went diving many times and fell in love with it.

The places that are deep (called a 'drop-off') were like a cliff and I could see the ground way down below my feet. It felt like I was flying in the air.

What I don't like about the sea is the jellyfish! I covered myself with jellyfish repellent and wore a rash guard from top to bottom to protect myself...but there weren't any jellyfish. (My older sister said she saw one.)

I'd love to go back there if I ever get the chance again. My longing to go to Maldives seems to have gotten stronger after visiting.

↑RASH GUARD WITH A SKIRT

HA HA...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO CALL MY NAME SO MANY TIMES. I CAN HEAR YOU.

NOBODY WILL FIND OUT THIS WAY.
WE CAN DO THIS INSTEAD OF TEXTING.
I DON'T LIKE IT WHEN WE FIGHT...
...BUT ISN'T IT STRANGE ...
...I SEEM TO HAVE GOTTEN MUCH CLOSER TO HIM AFTERWARD.
I AM NOW EVEN MORE IN LOVE WITH GINIRO.

GINIRO MUST BE SLEEPING IN THE LAB TONIGHT
touched
HAPPY TO KNOW
HOW MUCH COURAGE DO I NEED?
HOW MANY MORE TIMES DO I NEED TO KNOCK...
...ON THE DOOR TO MY HEART...
...FOR MY HEART TO OVERFLOW SO I CAN TELL HIM HOW I FEEL?
I WANT HIM TO KNOW...
...THAT I LOVE HIM.

Giniro Hashiba

An impetuous 14-year-old. He goes to an all-boys school and he's popular. His grades rank in the middle of the middle. Quite average.

He and Dr. Ganjo get along very well. Dr. Ganjo even gives him a monthly allowance.

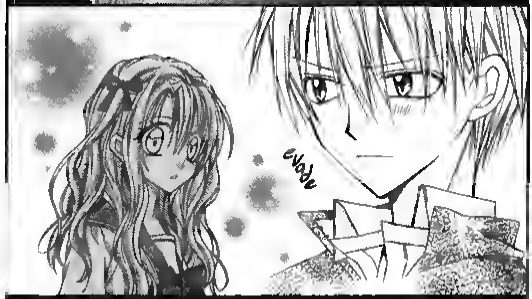
I don't know if it's because they're a team but it was really fun to see him have similar reactions as Kisaki as if they were twins.

My image of a slightly lecherous boy here comes from shonen manga, so that's why his hair is spiky.

Most of the time he goes on about Kisaki's size DD breasts to hide his tender feelings for her. If only he could just say, "You're cute." (laugh)

A 14-year-old hero was something new to me.

YAY. GINIRO IS HERE TOO.♡
You're not scheduled for training today.
I'M SORRY I ASKED YOU TO COME HERE ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE, KISAKI.
IT'S FINE! I DON'T MIND.
NEXT DAY



YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE IN THIS WORLD...
...WHO CAN EMIT THE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVE WE CLASSIFY AS A "PLANET PHOTON."
WE NEED YOU TO GO TO AMERICA TO HELP THEIR RESEARCH.

A Fight Like No Other!
A Maiden's Heart Lies
Within Her Breast?!/End

Mistress Fortune
The ESP of Love! At Times Be Honest?! Absolute Awakening☆

WE NEED YOU TO GO TO AMERICA TO HELP THEIR RE-SEARCH.
GO TO AMERICA?
HA
HA
HA

COME BACK HERE, GINIRO! KISAKI!
DON'T SHOOT ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PULSES AT PEOPLE!
That hurt.
OW
LET'S GO, KISAKI!
SHE ISN'T GOING ANY-WHERE!
UWA
O-OKAY!
PBLFF!!
It was only to blind you for a moment.
Come back!
YES.
I WON'T GO SOMEPLACE FAR AWAY LIKE AMERICA.
I'M GOING TO STAY WITH GINIRO.

Broadcast Room

Eh... I've always been a big-big-big fan of Down Town since I was in high school. They are just so cute and they still happen to be my favorite TV personalities. They'll probably be my favorites until I die. (My second favorite is Yoshi's Arino-san... I just love the Section Chief... ♡)

CD volumes 1-10 of a radio program called *Broadcast Room*, hosted by Matsumoto-san of Down Town and my friend Tokoro-san (writer for TV & radio), are coming out and each set will contain 10 CDs. I don't always have time to listen to the program so I'm so glad to hear there will be CDs!!

All they do on the program is talk about their private lives for an hour but it's really fun!! I love it!! I can make a lot of progress on my work when I'm listening to them. They are so cheerful that it's really soothing to listen to them when I'm tired.

I really hope they release all their broadcasts on CD!! I record every one of Down Town's shows on DVD and my recent favorite is *Lincoln* (on TBS). (Because I like Summers and Cream Stew too.)

I'd like to tell my editor that the reason I am able to complete my final draft so quickly after my storyboard has been approved is thanks to *Broadcast Room*.

IT'S NO USE TRYING TO GET MOM ON YOUR SIDE!
I'LL NEVER GO TO AMERICA !!
Don't get so upset.
THAT WASN'T MY INTENTION. I'M HERE TO EXPLAIN THINGS.
ka chak
COMMANDER...
YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT ...
... GINIRO'S MOTHER, RIGHT?
WHAT? HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?!
GINIRO TOLD ME.
HE SAID HE TOLD YOU BECAUSE HE NEEDED TO.
IT SEEMS HE TRUSTS ME.
THERE ARE DOCTORS WHO SPECIALIZE IN VICTIMS OF PSYCHIC POWER ACCIDENTS ...
...AT PSI IN AMERICA. THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP HER.
?!
IF YOU WORK WITH THEM, KISAKI, IT COULD BE A POWERFUL COLLABOR-ATION.

Haruka Gunjou

A 25-year-old with the heart of a boy.

What I like about the characters of Mistress Fortune are their names. I especially like Dr. Ganjo's name. I was actually thinking about giving Shizumasa in the *Gentleman's Alliance* a feminine-sounding name in the beginning (I was thinking about 'Shizuka') but I ended up not doing it so I'm glad I was able to do that here.

I never thought I'd be able to do a one-shot about him (36 pages total) so I was really happy to be able to do that.

His biggest charm is that he's cowardly. (laugh) But he's very popular among his subordinates, you know. He's kind and he takes good care of them.

Ganjo's 'female suspicion' truly happened. (laugh) The editors and my friend asked 'Is that person female?' That's why I drew that chapter. Thank you very much for providing me with the idea, everyone...

EVEN SO...
I'LL GO.
ONLY 1.4%...
NOT NECESSARILY, BUT HER CASE WOULD BE GIVEN PRIORITY FOR THE DOCTORS TO EXAMINE HER.
THERE IS ONLY A 1.4% CHANCE OF HER EVER REGAINING CONSCIOUSNESS.

I...
...WILL GO TO AMERICA.
DASH
THAT'S A LIE, RIGHT?! KISAKI !!
WHY DID YOU SUDDENLY CHANGE YOUR MIND?!
I KNOW I SAID I WOULDN'T GO BEFORE...
BUT I'VE MADE UP MY MIND.

SO YOU DON'T CARE IF I'M PAIRED UP WITH SOMEONE ELSE?!
NACH
I HAVE TO GO.
...
VISH
GINIRO ?!
WAIT ...
I CAN'T FLY... ANY ...
...HIGH-ER...
WHIZ
WHIZ
WHIZ
DON'T, GINIRO !
UUP
COMMANDER GUNJO WILL GET ANGRY IF YOU FLY WITHOUT GETTING APPROVAL!

I LOVE YOU.
HUH?
B-
B
MP
GINIRO JUST...
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.
REALLY?
HE LOVES ME...
I'VE ALWAYS ...
GP
ALWAYS ...

...LOVED YOU...
...SINCE THE FIRST TIME WE MET, KISAKI !!

PLEASE DON'T GO!
THERE ARE DOCTORS WHO SPECIALIZE IN VICTIMS OF PSYCHIC POWER ACCIDENTS AT PSI IN AMERICA. THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP HER.
IF YOU WORK WITH THEM, KISAKI, IT COULD BE A POWERFUL COLLABOR-ATION.
I'M SORRY ...
GINIRO, I—
SLIP
FORGET IT.

JUST GO!
GO TO AMERICA OR WHEREVER YOU WANT!
Hmp
I'M SORRY FOR FLYING WITHOUT APPROVAL.
NO....
IT COULDN'T BE HELPED.

YOU COULD HAVE TOLD HIM THE TRUTH, YOU KNOW
BUT ... THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THEY'LL BE ABLE TO CURE HER...
...SO I DON'T WANT TO RAISE HIS HOPES ...
YOU'RE A SWEET GIRL

I'M SORRY, GINIRO ...
I'M SO SORRY.
I REALLY WANTED TO TELL YOU THAT.
I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU THE FIRST TIME WE MET TOO.
I LOVE YOU.
FORGIVE ME...
...GINIRO.

PSI AMERICA
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
THIS IS YOUR ROOM, KISAKI.
THERE'S A WELCOMING PARTY LATER! ♪
OKAY. I'LL MEET YOU DOWN IN THE LOBBY AT SIX.
THANKS, NANCY.
SIGH
I DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE GINIRO AFTER THAT...
OH
NO! I MUSTN'T GET DEPRESSED !!
86.0F
ON/OFF
It's a bit hot in here.
I'LL TURN THE AIR CONDITIONER ON!
tmp tmp

Just like always!!
UM... THEN I'LL HAVE RICE!
I'LL MAKE RICE!
GLOOM
BUT I'M NOT AT HOME...
It's not in Celsius ?!
86 DEGREES ?!
※IN THE UNITED STATES, THEY MEASURE IN FAHRENHEIT, NOT CELSIUS.
(For temperatures)

Huh? "This water" is carbonated...

A "PLANET PHOTON" IS AN ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVE WITH THE SAME FREQUENCY AS THE PHOTON BELT AROUND ALCYONE...
...WHICH IS LOCATED NEAR THE CENTER OF THE PLEIADES STAR CLUSTER.
THIS ELECTRO-MAGNETIC WAVE HAS THE POWER TO FRACTURE THE ATOMS THAT MAKE UP THE EBE.
IN OTHER WORDS, IT CAN TERMINATE THE EBE.

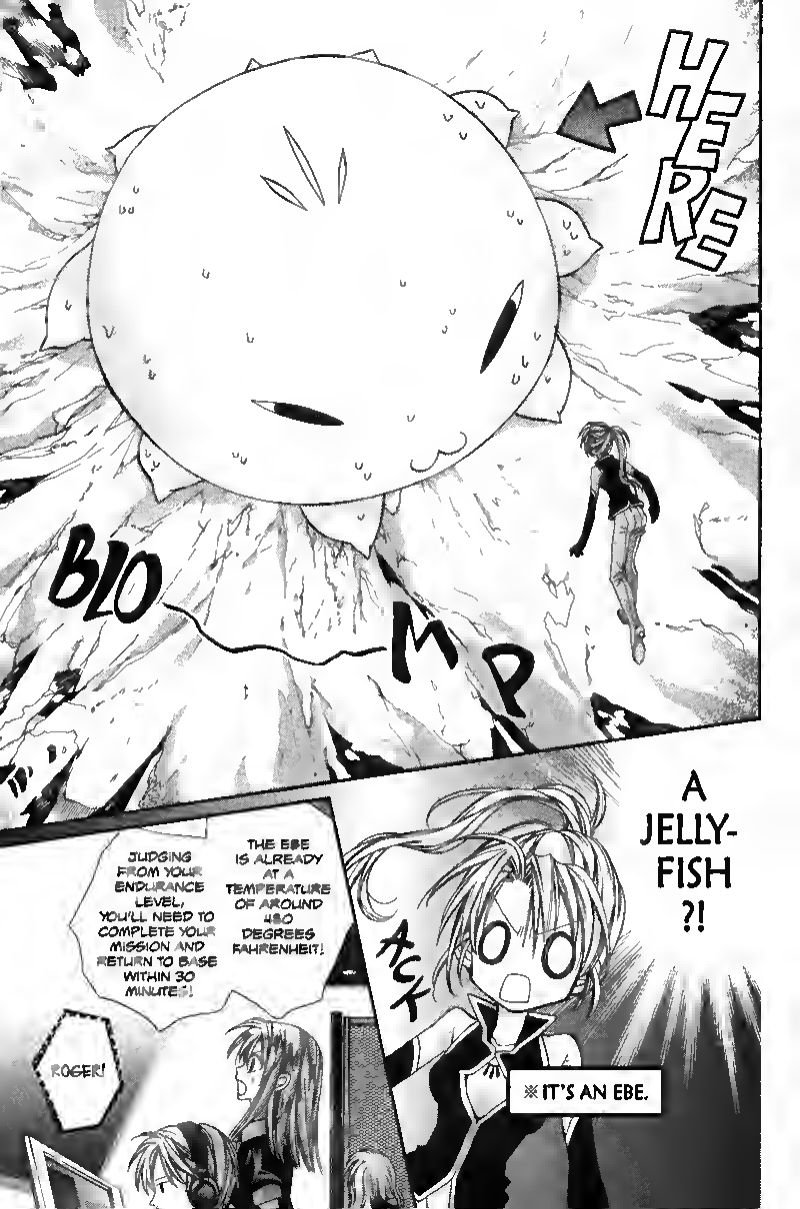
MT SHASTA IS AN ACTIVE VOLCANO IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.
AN EBE HAS INHABITED THE VOLCANIC VENT FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS.
THE PROBLEM IS ITS SWEAT.
EBE
warm
likes to sweat
IF MORE WATER HITS THE MAGMA BELOW, IT WILL CAUSE A PHREATIC ERUPTION.
IN THE WORST CASE, THE ENTIRE MOUNTAIN MAY EXPLODE.
I'm getting sweaty.
Magma
Phreatic eruption
When its sweat falls onto the magma, the pressure from the growing water vapor causes an explosion.
THUD
VEE—IN
PLEASE, KISAKI!
TERMINATE THAT EBE!
That was my first close-up too...
HELLO, KISAKI ...?
LETTUCE... IT'S LETTUCE... LETTUCE ...!
WHY IS THERE LETTUCE IN THE CARBONATED WATER?!
KISAKI WAS UNABLE TO HIDE HER SURPRISE FROM HER VERY FIRST CULTURE SHOCK IN LIFE!!

MEAN-WHILE, IN JAPAN...
DON'T BE THAT WAY, GINIRO...
NO.
WHEN I SAY NO, I MEAN NO!
WE NEED YOU OUT ON MISSIONS ---
GET AWAY FROM ME, YOU SAD BACH-ELOR!
WHAT IS IT? WHAT'S WRONG, DR. GUNJO ?
Well...
GINIRO WON'T CHOOSE HIS NEW PARTNER.
JOLT
THEY DON'T HAVE SIZE DD BOOBS !!
THEY DON'T HAVE FLUFFY HAIR !!
YARI YARI
THEN I'LL RUN THE DATA TO FIND GIRLS WHO FIT THOSE CRITERIA!
Eh... YOU ARE KIDDING, RIGHT?
HUFF
AND THEIR NAMES AREN'T "KISAKI" !!
YARI

I CAN'T GO OUT ...
...ON A MISSION ...
...IN THIS STATE ...
GINIRO.
?!
THUD
JUST KIDDING.
Then take it off.
I HAVE A LETTER FOR YOU...

...FROM KISAKI.
KRSH KRSH KRSH
TOSS
SO FAST !!
ALL IN ONE PANEL!
WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR, GINIRO?! DON'T TREAT A LETTER FROM A GIRL LIKE THAT!
SHUT UP! I'M NOT GOING TO LET HER PRETEND MY LOVE FOR HER DOESN'T EXIST!
GWAK
HHHH
IT'S ALL CRUMPLED ...
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
THIS IS HQ.
KISAKI HAS ARRIVED AT MT SHASTA.

KISAKI, ARE YOU READY?
zish
zish
YES!
THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MISSION ...
...SO I HAVE TO DO MY BEST!!
UM ...
WHERE IS THE EBE...?
VWP
VWP


HERE
BLO
MP
A JELLY-FISH ?!
ACK
※IT'S AN EBE.
THE EBE IS ALREADY AT A TEMPERATURE OF AROUND 480 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT!
JUDGING FROM YOUR ENDURANCE LEVEL, YOU'LL NEED TO COMPLETE YOUR MISSION AND RETURN TO BASE WITHIN 30 MINUTES!
ROGER!

KISAKI.
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
AH ...
URGH ...
PLANET PHOTON !!
POOM
I CAN'T !
STOP. TRY DRINKING YOUR ESPD FIRST.
OKAY!
SHE MAY HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF POWER, BUT SHE'S STILL INEXPERIENCED.
I CAN'T ALLOW HER TO GET CLOSER TO IT....

NANCY, LOOK!
KISAKI'S POWER READINGS ARE PLUMMETING!
WHAT?
HOW CAN THAT BE?!
I'M GOING IN FOR MY SECOND ATTACK!
WAIT... KISAKI, DON'T!
OMM
PLANET PHOTON!!

SHWK
SHWK
SHWK
SHWK
SHWK
HUH?
ISH
I'M FALL-ING!!
AAAH!
THAT EBE IS 480°F!! THAT EBE IS 480°F!!
FWISH

I met Shoko-tan.

I had the privilege of having an interview with Shoko-tan for the December 2008 edition of *Ribon*. And who is Shoko-tan?! The idol Shoko Nakagawa.~ Aw, she is just adorable! ♡ A very small polite and cute girl.

I wanted to ask for her SMS address to text her but she's a TV personality, so I was afraid it would be rude to ask... But she actually came over to tell me so I was really happy. ☆☆

I didn't seriously think she'd ever text me... But while I was doing some shopping at a shop next to Shoko-tan's office afterward she immediately sent me a text... I was so moved to find out how friendly she is.

Shoko-tan and I are *Creamy Mami* buddies so the things we like are very similar.

We still text each other. Thanks, Shoko-tan. ♡ I love you!

I don't allow photographs of me to be taken so we'll add an illustration of me to the photograph later.
Shoko-tan smiling at an empty chair
Tana-mura-san you don't have to go that far...
I shook my hand around to try to get Shoko-tan to start laughing.

STOP PANICKING! CONTACT THE NEAREST PSYCHIC IN THE AREA TO TELEPORT TO HER RESCUE!
NOW!!
KIRK
TMP TMP TMP
U-UNDER-STOOD!
TMP TMP TMP
KISAKI WILL MAKE CONTACT WITH THE EBE IN FIVE SECONDS!
GLOW
Sigh 3

GINIRO ...?
PHOO
BWAAH!
pru---mp
STUPID KISAKI !!
SHOCK
THAT WAS TERRIBLE! YOU'VE GOT NO AIM WHATSOEVER! DID YOU SERIOUSLY THINK YOU DIDN'T NEED ME AS A PARTNER?!
BUT ---
BUT ----
How did you get here anyway?!
I flew here. It took me five days.

YOU DID THIS FOR MY MOM, DIDN'T YOU?
I KNEW IT HAD TO BE SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
BUT YOU HAVE TO UNDER-STAND...
...EVEN IF MY MOM WAKES UP...
!
...I'D STILL BE SAD WITHOUT YOU.

GINIRO
...
KISAKI'S POWER READINGS ARE INCREASING.
YEEK! WHAT'S AN EBE DOING IN HERE?!
GINIRO AND I TOOK TURNS CARRYING EACH OTHER TO FLY ALL THE WAY HERE...
YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT ME?
IT'S SPEAKING IN JAPANESE!
...
AMAZING ...
READY ?!
YES!

DOUBLE SPIRIT THUNDER !!
MISTRESS ☆ FORTUNE!
LET'S GO!
SHUF
AWAK- ENING ANGELS ...

PUM PUM PUM
PUM PUM PUM
LUB
DUB
Wow!
...
Klap Klap Klap
Kyu!
We did it!
Woo!
Hey!

These sweethearts.
...KI-SAKI.
NO MATTER HOW STRONG YOUR POWER IS, YOU NEED GINIRO BY YOUR SIDE TO RELEASE ITS POTENTIAL ---
UM, KISAKI ---
GINIRO ---
HUH?
YOU TWO ARE AWARE THAT KISAKI IS SCHEDULED TO BE WITH US FOR ONLY ONE WEEK, RIGHT?

BLU
SH
POUFF
They were taking too long to get together.
HA HA
WHEN I GET MY HANDS ON THAT COM-MANDER, I'LL—!!
GUNJO MUST'VE BEEN TEASING YOU TWO.

SO THIS...
...IS YOUR MOM.
I BROUGHT FLOWERS ...
For your mom.
OH! I'LL GO GET SOME WATER FOR THEM. Thank you!
GINJIRO PUNCHED HIM
Sorry I lied.
I'll let you visit your mother to make up for it.

IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU.
tmp tmp tmp
MY NAME IS KISAKI TACHIKAWA.
GINIRO ALWAYS HELPS ME OUT AND...
SILENCE
Ah...
Um I GUESS I SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED.
This is embarrassing...
MAYBE SHE CAN HEAR ME IF I USE TELE-PATHY?
HELLO.
HM?
WHO ARE YOU?

huff
huff
I...
I...
HEY! WHAT'S THE MATTER, KISAKI ?!
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
shwaa
GINIRO ---
YOUR POWERS ---
YOU MAY HAVE INHERITED THEM.
HUH ?
WHAT ?!!

GINIRO,
GYAO GYAO
I'M TAKING KISAKI'S LETTER TO GINIRO.
The one he crumpled up.
EBE EBE
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, EBE-KO?
THANK YOU FOR TELLING ME HOW YOU FEEL.
GINIRO
YOU HAVE NO IDEA
...HOW MY HEART POUNDS WHEN YOU SMILE EVERY NOW AND THEN, DO YOU?
THE COLOR OF YOUR KIND-NESS HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE FIRST TIME I MET YOU
MY HEAD WENT COMPLETELY BLANK THE FIRST TIME I MET YOU BECAUSE I WAS SO NERVOUS...
...BUT ONE THING I DO REMEMBER IS THAT I PROMISED MYSELF THAT I'D TRAIN HARD...
...BECAUSE I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU AT FIRST SIGHT TOO
I MAY HAVE A UNIQUE POWER, BUT I STILL CAN'T CONTROL IT WELL...
AND I CAN'T PULL MYSELF TOGETHER UNLESS YOU'RE BESIDE ME.
SO..

WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS THAT...
...I LOVE YOU...
...GINIRO.

Bonus Story: EBE-ko's Earth Immigration Plan

SIGH
AHH...
OH, THE YEARNING...
FLIP
SHIROGANE
...TO BE A SHIROGANESE. ♡
THE LADIES WHO LIVE IN SHIROGANE, MINATO WARD, TOKYO.
THEY GO OUT ON PLATINUM STREET IN THE AFTERNOON...
THEY CHAT WITH FRIENDS AFTER LUNCH, AND AS THEY CHAT, THEY ENJOY TEA...
SURROUNDED BY PRADAS AND VUITTONS...
ONE DAY I'M GOING TO LIVE IN A HIGH-RISE CONDOMINIUM TOO.
A 15-MINUTE WALK FROM THE STATION... $2 BY BUS...
HER MONOLOGUE IS STARTING TO SOUND LIKE THAT OF A COMMONER.
Hey now...

YOU'LL NEVER BE A SHIRO-GANESE!
GRMPH
I CAN! I'VE GOT POTEN-TIAL!!
KISAKI! I'VE GOT THE FACE OF A CELEBRITY, DON'T YOU THINK?!
GYOO
UM....
Hi I'm here too.
15cents
DR. GUNJO GAVE IT TO HER
OF COURSE I DO!
YOU NEED MONEY TO BUY BAGS AND A CONDO.
DO YOU HAVE MONEY, EBE-KO?
SHAAK

YOU'LL HAVE TO GET A JOB!
OVER A MILLION DOLLARS AT LEAST.
THEN HOW MUCH DO I NEED?!
WHAT'S SALES TAX?!
I've never heard of it!!!
YOU CAN'T BUY A BAG WITH 15 CENTS. IT WON'T EVEN COVER SALES TAX...
KRA
THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO BE A LAYABOUT EBE!
GO OUT AND EARN YOUR WAY!
KK
KROO
M!

HANDING OUT TISSUE PACKS AT $10 AN HOUR.
NEW OPEN
IT'S A NEW KARAOKE PLACE.
PLEASE COME AND SING!
I WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS EASIER THAN HANDING OUT LEAF-LETS.
It shouldn't be like this.
THEY WON'T EVEN TAKE THE TISSUES ...
I JUST NEED TO HAND THESE OUT, RIGHT ?!
TOSS
YARGH! TORNADO TOSS!!
MAYBE I'M TOO CUTE?
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE AN ALIEN!
BOOM

I THINK I'M BETTER AT HOSPITALITY JOBS!
SO SELF-ISH...
I'VE LOST INTEREST IN THIS JOB.
YARI YARI YARI
bow bow bow
KARAOKE
MAID CAFÉ $9.50 PER HOUR
OOH, THERE'S A NEW MAID.
OH, K-SHI, YOU TOOK THE WORDS RIGHT OUT OF MY MOUTH.
EBE-KO, MOE VERSION.
AH HA. AH HA.
My image of Ebi is sort of...
WELCOME HOME, MASTER.
I'LL HAVE AN ORANGE PARFAIT.
I'LL HAVE A CAFÉ AU LAIT...
It's sort of...

FLUGG
HERE YOU GO..
One orange parfait!
Café Ora.
SHE THOUGHT 'AU LAIT' WAS 'ORA' FOR ORANGE
NURK
THAT'LL BE FIVE BILLION DOLLARS.
She just loves straws
JOLT
IT'S NOT MY FAULT.
MRR
MRR
BOOM
WE'LL BE GOING NOW, LADY!

"Tan?!
KISAKI MOE.
OOH, IT'S KISAKI-TAN.
fwssh
SORRY! ARE YOU TWO OKAY?!
DASH
Ah Um
VEEN
KISAKI-TAN, TRANSFORM INTO TIARA.
H-HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT TIARA?!
IT'S A NATIONAL SECRET!
YOU'RE CUTE AS TIARA.
MOE
MOE
LET ME TAKE YOUR PHOTO.
LOOK THIS WAY, PLEASE.
SPIRIT THUNDER!!

fwssssh
COME ON, KISAKI!
I wonder if they're okay.
They got what they deserved!
Y-YES...
DON'T GIVE GUYS LIKE THAT THE TIME OF DAY!
Crap! Crap! Crap!
YOU NEED TO BE MORE AWARE, KISAKI.
YOU REALLY STAND OUT WITH THAT FLUFFY HAIR AND THOSE SHINY EYES AND BOUNCING BREASTS OF YOURS...
...SO YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL OF PUSHY MEN LIKE THAT.

WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING FOR?!
What?!
Hee hee
LOVE!
SHE'S FAST.
WOW!
IT'S ALL SO SIMPLE FOR HER...
THUD
YEAH, SURE.
CONSTRUCTION WORKER $17 PER HOUR
HEY, NEW-COMER!
COULD YOU MOVE THE LUMBER FOR ME?

I'M NO LONGER A LAYABOUT EBE!
I'VE FINALLY FOUND A PLACE TO WORK!
Nightfall...
EVERY EBE HAS ITS OWN REASON TO BE HERE, OKAY?!
GRR
THERE ARE JAPANESE PEOPLE WHO GO TO HAWAII FOR WORK, YOU KNOW?!
COULD YOU STOP TALKING AS IF EVERY EBE IS THE SAME?!
SO WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ON EARTH, EBE-KO?
WHY ARE EBE COMING TO EARTH, ANYWAY?
Tell us.
BY THE WAY, EBE-KO, DO YOU HAVE A HOME?
HUFF
HUFF

Stop, Ginjiro! I'm sure she's telling the truth.
I didn't want to be seen by humans, so that's why I hid on the shelf in a shop and pretended to be a plushy.
EVERYONE DITCHED ME WHILE I WAS IN THE BATHROOM ...
A SCHOOL TRIP?!
I'M ON A SCHOOL TRIP.
SCHOOL TRIP.
BAH
I HAVE NO PARENTS ...
...AND NO HOME...
EBE-KO...
SLEEPS IN RANDOM PLACES
NNN
AN ABAN-DONED EGG
GYWOO GYWOO
BORN FROM THE EGG
THAT'S WHY...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO FEEL SORRY FOR HER!
I WANT A CONDO AND FAMOUS DESIGNER BAGS. I WANT TO BECOME A SHIRO-GANESE.
GOOD LUCK, EBE-KO!
gripe gripe
UH-HUH! ♡

IT'S BEEN A MONTH SINCE THEN...
I'VE BEEN WORKING WITHOUT SLEEP...
ching
ching
ching
...AND I NOW HAVE OVER $10,000 ...
$17 X 20 HOURS X 30 DAYS = $ 10,200
VIP
SORRY, EBE-KO.
HUH ?
WOW, EBE-KO!!
HMM... GOOD WORK.
I CAN'T BUY A CONDO, BUT I CAN BUY A BAG FROM PRADA OR VUITTON WITH THIS, CAN'T I?!
WHAT KIND OF CONVERSATION IS THIS?

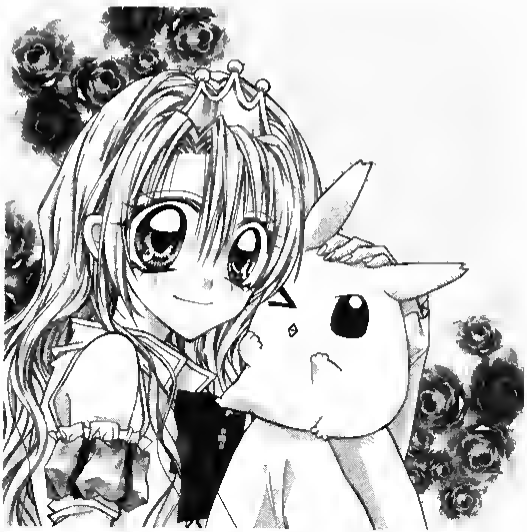
I'M CONFISCATING YOUR PAY.
• REPAIR CHARGES FOR THE ROAD.
• THE COST OF ALL THE TISSUE PACKS YOU BLEW AWAY.
• RENOVATION FEES FOR THE MAID CAFÉ.
• FEE FOR THE SLIPPERS.
• PRICE OF THE CAFÉ AU LAIT.
• PRICE OF THE PARFAIT.
• REPLACING THE DISHES YOU BROKE.
• LAUNDRY FEE FOR THE OTAKU'S RED BANDANNA.
THERE-FORE...
KOOOOM!!

I JUST WANT KISAKI AND GINIRO WITH ME.
I'M FINE!
I DON'T WANT A CONDO OR ANY PRADAS OR VUITTONS.
The money had to come out of my own pocket.
EBE-KO...
UN.
...IS BECAUSE I WANTED TO LIVE WITH YOU TWO.
THE REASON I WANTED A CONDO IN THE FIRST PLACE...
IT'S TRUE.
I CAME TO EARTH ON A SCHOOL TRIP...
BUT I STAYED BECAUSE I LIKE IT HERE.

...MISTRESS FORTUNE. ♡
SO PLEASE CONTINUE BEING FRIENDS WITH ME...
I'M AIMING TO BE A SEIJO MADAME NEXT !!
NO WAY!
Seijo is another expensive place to live.

EBE-ko's Earth Immigration Plan / End

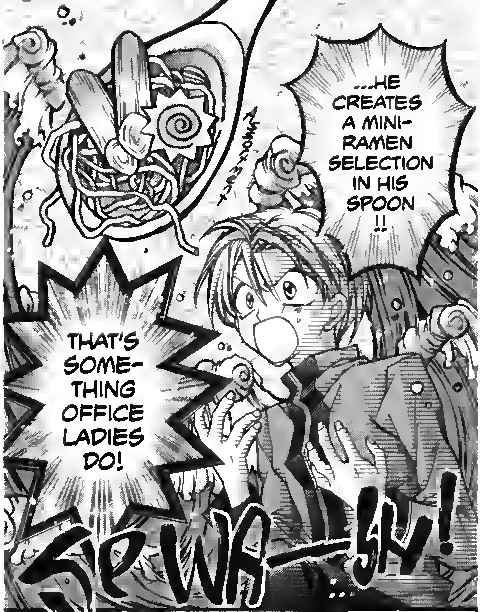
Mistress Fortune
Bonus Story: Dr. Gunjo's Secret?!



HARUKA GUNJO, AGE 25. MALE.
PSYCHIC POWER RESEARCH LABORATORY, PSI
IN CHARGE OF MISTRESS FORTUNE
BLOOD TYPE A. SINGLE. NO GIRLFRIEND.
HOBBY: PLAYING OTHELLO ALONE. SPECIAL QUALIFICATION: UNDISCLOSED.

OFFICIAL PROFILE OF DR. GUNJO

RISAKI TACHIBANA AGE 14
HUH ?!
YOU SUSPECT DR. GUNJO IS FEMALE ?
AINORI HASHIBA
AGE 14
KOSUGI, DR. GUNJO'S SUBORDINATE
YEAH !!
I'VE ALWAYS HAD SUSPICIONS ABOUT HIM....
...BUT I'VE FINALLY COLLECTED ENOUGH DECISIVE PROOF!
AND WHEN HE EATS RAMEN ...
A DELICATE PHYSIQUE... BEAUTIFUL HAIR...
...have these attributes.
I'm sure many men...
Um.
HE NEVER CHANGES IN FRONT OF OTHERS!!
He doesn't use the changing room.
That's just because he has his own private office.



THERE'S AN UNSPOKEN RUMOR THAT ONLY MEN ARE EVER CHOSEN FOR THE COM-MANDER'S POST...
SO DR. GUNJO MAY HAVE LIED TO BECOME A COM-MANDER!
AHH
OHH
WHAT AN IDIOT.
Fool.
THERE'S NO WAY DR. GUNJO IS A WOMAN.
KOSUGI....
YOU'VE GONE OFF THE DEEP END.

Special Thanks

Nakame
Saori

☆

Chihiro

☆

Miichi
Shoko-chan
Tomoyo-chan
Sacchan
Hina-chan
Igo-chan
Saki-chan
Yuki-chan

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Thank you very much.

BA-
BAM
ANYWAY! YOU ARE TO UNEARTH DR. GUNJO'S SECRET!!
LET'S GO!
?!
BAM!
ABSO-LUTE FALLING ANGELS ...
HUH...?

DISTRESS IMPOR-TUNE! ♡
Why this pose?
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SAY THAT ONCE!
touched
YOU CAN GO ON AHEAD WITHOUT ME. ☆
SHOCK
ADULTS JUST DO AS THEY PLEASE!

PSI CAFETERIA
"METABOLIC" LUNCH
CHMP CHMP
Um.. HE LOOKS LIKE A GUY TO ME....
I admit that the fact he is eating hayashi rice and not curry makes him look a bit girly...
I UNDERSTAND WHY KOSUGI WOULD THINK THAT HE'S A WOMAN.
I KNOW NOW THAT DR. GUNJO IS NO MAN!
Dr. Gunjo's Secret #1
He always has hayashi for lunch.
WOW, GINIRO!
What?
HOW CAN YOU TELL?
Easy.
I LOOKED AT YOUR BOOBS 12 TIMES DURING TRAINING YESTERDAY, BUT DR. GUNJO ONLY LOOKED AT THEM 3 TIMES!!
MATTER-OF-FACT
DING DING
KISAKI IS CURRENTLY BOMBARDING GINIRO WITH REAMS OF SPIRIT THUNDER SO PLEASE ENJOY AN IMAGE OF EBE-KO ON VACATION UNTIL SHE FINISHES.
POI
CHMP CHMP
CHMP CHMP
TOP
I'M HUNGRY ...
GINIRO, DO YOU HAVE ANY MONEY?
I've got ¥1.40.
SORRY. JUST BOC.
The coins are scorched.
fwssh
GINIRO
GURG
!

EBE-ko

A mysterious extra-terrestrial. An EBE girl, thus 'EBE-ko.'

EBE-ko was a completely unplanned character and I never expected her to talk when I began the series. This doesn't happen to me a lot, but at the time I was drawing chapter 1 I had no intention of using her as a major character at all.

But the EBE I created in the first chapter had such a nice look that I thought 'Maybe I'll have it reappear?' Then I used her in the next chapter. I usually decide on who will appear beforehand. But I guess that 'go with the flow' mood is what's good about Mistress Fortune.

She seriously thinks she's cuter than Kaoli. (laugh) Her dream is to become a 'Shirogeneo' (laugh)

DR. GUNJO IS ALWAYS ON A DIET!!
AND HE LOVES SALADS!
KRSH
TSUCHIYA, ANOTHER ONE OF DR GUNJO'S SUBORDINATES →
IF YOU'RE GOING TO GO SEE HIM, YOU MIGHT AS WELL DO THIS YOURSELVES...
Even Tsuchiya...?
THE IDIOCY IS SPREADING.
SO FEMININE ---!!
Oh...
Kyaa!

I made too much coffee.
You want some?
Kosuge
Let's get some snacks.
REAL-ITY
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO GET A CUP OF COFFEE TOGETHER? IT'LL HELP
KOSUGE'S IMAGINATION
YOU'RE DOING OVERTIME? GOOD JOB.
You made a mistake here. You've got 15 minutes to fix it.
Teachiya
THERE'S A MISTAKE ON PAGE 2 OF THIS PAPER-WORK! ♡
REAL-ITY
STOMP STOMP
OH? YOU'D LIKE ME TO FIX IT?!
AWW! OKAY, I'LL DO IT FOR YOU. ♡
Oh, You!
ADULTS HAVE DIRTY MINDS...
BLARGH
Dr. Gunjo's Secret #2
His subordinates are perverts!
LET'S HIT ON HER!!
W
Oo
!!

BOSSES WHO ARE LIKED AND THOSE WHO AREN'T
HE MUST LIVE NEAR HERE.
SWF
SWF
WHAT IS IT?
HE'S BEEN READING THAT BOOK FOR OVER A HALF HOUR NOW...
WE'RE SO SORRY, DR. GUNJO !!
WAH !
WE'RE STARTING TO DISLIKE YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE READING A BOOK LIKE THAT!
SOB
SOB
IT'S ALMOST LIKE A DATE!
YAY!
DR. GUNJO BOUGHT A SODA-FLAVORED POPSICLE ...
AND HE'S BUYING CHOCO-LATES FOR HIS SNACK !!
HA HA HA
DOES HE HAVE A SWEET TOOTH ?
STRANGE... IT'S NOT A TRAINING DAY, BUT I'M TOGETHER WITH GINIRO.
B-BUMP
I FEEL BAD FOR DR. GUNJO BUT FOLLOW-ING HIM LIKE A DETECTIVE IS FUN!
B-BUMP
B-BUMP
IT'S ALREADY FIVE.
POU-G
POU-G

SKRUB
SKRUB
MAYBE HE DOESN'T COOK?
HE'S BUYING RICE BALLS TOO.
SKRUB
3 TUNA, 1 ALLS MAYONNAISE
HE LIKES FANTA GRAPE ...
AND...
HUH?
GINIRO ...?
KISAKI!
WHAT ?!

ALL YOU TALK ABOUT IS DR. GUNJO.
HUH? BUT...
B-BMP
B-BMP
AAH!
...
THAT'S BECAUSE
...KOSUGI ASKED US TO HELP INVESTIGATE ...
B-BMP
YOU STILL HAVEN'T ...
HUFF
...GIVEN ME YOUR ANSWER.

!
OH! MY LETTER TO HIM THAT EBE-KO HAD...
I TOOK IT BECAUSE I WAS TOO EMBARRASSED TO SHOW IT TO HIM!
?
?
TELL ME.
I'LL KISS YOU IF YOU DON'T SAY ANYTHING.
EH?!
NO!
WAIT! MY HEART...
MY VOICE WON'T COME OUT...
FWEE
PEEK PEEK
B-BMD ..ISN'T PREPARED FOR THIS... B-BMD
GINIRO.
B-BMD

SWEET
WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING?
---!
---!
---!
---!
---!
Dr. Gunjo's Secret #3
He's bad at gauging the mood.
YOU TWO WANT TO SLEEP OVER AT MY PLACE TONIGHT?
NO, NO. GO HOME!
I'LL CALL TO HAVE YOU PICKED UP.
Eh?
NO....
THIS IS THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT HIS SECRETS
NOW, KISUKI!
TE LE
WE'LL USE FORMATION D!!
PA TH Y

Yay!
plushy transformation
Hee!
PLEASE LET US STAY... ♡
DR. GUNJO, PLEASE LET US SLEEP OVER AT YOUR PLACE. ♡
Yay!
PLEASE, DR. GUNJO... ♡
PLEASE? ♡
PSYCHING
HE'LL PAMPER PEOPLE WHO DEPEND ON HIM!
SOFTIE
YOU CAN STAY AT MY PLACE. ♡
ALL RIGHT.
GUNJO!
GUNJO!
GUNJO!
GUNJO!
Dr. Gunjo's Secret #4
He has three younger brothers.
AN ELDEST SON!
UH...

TEE HEE
OH! SO THIS IS YOUR APARTMENT.
You got paid more than this, don't you?
2 MINUTE WALK FROM THE STATION
A STUDIO.
SNOW
SNOW
ACTUALLY HAPPY THEY'RE SLEEPING OVER AT HIS PLACE
IT'S MESSY...
I'M RATHER EMBARRASSED TO SHOW YOU.
SHING
LOADS OF TRASH EVERYWHERE !!
MEN HAVE DIRTY ROOMS !!
"WHOA, IS THAT FUNGUS ?!"
Things like that.
TONS OF DIRTY LAUNDRY !!
DVDS THAT NEED TO BE RETURNED !!
UNOPENED LETTERS !!
"WHOA, IS THAT FUNGUS ?!"
Things like that.

SORRY IT'S A MESS...
FURG
GEH
SO PREDICT-ABLE!
CHAOS!
HUH? ARE YOU TWO ANGRY?
RIGHT, EH... UM, I'M REALLY SORRY.

Cleaning
Kisaki is in the bath.
WHY ME?!
HMM...
THANKS SO MUCH FOR HELPING ME CLEAN.
I'LL JUST TAKE NOTE OF EVERYTHING AROUND ME.
Ultra Genius
KISAKI SURE IS TAKING A LONG TIME IN THE BATH...
I GUESS GIRLS ARE LIKE THAT.
...
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ASK, BUT...
ARE YOU IN LOVE WITH KISAKI, DR. GUNJO?
WELL, IF A CUTE GIRL LIKE KISAKI SAID...
PLEASE DATE ME!
I'D SAY, SURE WITHOUT HESITATION! BUT, IT'S NOT THE KIND OF LOVE GINIRO IS TALKING ABOUT...
BUT, HE PROBABLY WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND IF, I TOLD HIM, "ADULTS FALL IN LOVE THROUGH CALCULATION"...
Not to mention girls of his age.
I SHOULD REASSURE HIM THAT, I'M NOT A RIVAL.
PONDER
GINIRO SEEMS TO BE DEEPLY IN LOVE WITH HER.
After all, he must think of me as a big brother figure.
PONDER
PONDER
PONDER

NOT ONE BIT.
Smile
AH
I'M SUCH A NICE GUY... ♡
I KNEW IT! HE ISN'T A MAN...! HOW COULD HE NOT LIKE A GIRL AS CUTE AS KISAKI?
TALKING AT CROSS PURPOSES
THANKS FOR THE BATH...
GUNJO GAVE HER A T-SHIRT ↓
Ah my pleasure.
BLUSH
I HAVE POP-SICLES!
YAY, SODA FLAVOR. ♡
HUH, HOW'D YOU KNOW ?!

DON'T TOUCH ME!
GINIRO ...
TAKE A POP-SICLE!
POP
UM, IT'S JUST ...
YOU LOOK CUTE.
Just out of the bath.
!
ACK! NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT!
SHO--CK
blush
YEAH.
OH ...
THANKS.
SHALL WE GO TO SLEEP NOW?!
YEAH, YEAH!
They're too cute!
How I envy their youth!!
ZZZ
NNN

WHAT IS GOING ON?!
I thought I was sleeping alone!
HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?
HA HA... COME HERE, ABANDONED PUPPY...
DR. GUNJO IS STILL ASLEEP!
NO...
GLOM
?!
mm?

RHM
RHM
RHM
RHM
RHM
RHM
IF GINIRO SEES US, HE'LL...
GINIRO
RHM
AH!
He saw!
AH!
AH!
KA-BO-OM
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!
GINIRO WENT OUT OF CONTROL.

WATER STARTED TO RISE UP FROM THE DESERTS, AND THE OZONE LAYER BECAME FOUR TIMES THICKER.
EVERYONE TREMBLED IN FEAR OF HIM...
...BUT THE THUNDER GOD BROUGHT ABOUT MIRACLES.
...GINIRO USED HIS POWERS TO TAKE OVER THE WORLD...
AFTER GOING ON A RAMPAGE...
EBE-KO.
Hey...
THE NARRATION IS OUT OF CONTROL TOO...
KISA-KI!
THE THUNDER GOD BECAME THE RULER OF THE NEW WORLD...
...AND EVENTUALLY BECAME KNOWN AS THE "THUNDER GOD" BY MOST.
A SUNBURNT MERMAID FROM THE BEACH?!
LOOKS LIKE TROUBLE...
Aloha.
Summer Vac
Summer Vac
Sunburnt

SUMMER VAC - ABBREVIATION FOR SUMMER VACATION

Are you kidding me?
Panty shot?!
THE LAST TIME HE WENT BERSERK, YOU WERE ABLE TO CALM HIM DOWN BY SEDUCING HIM! YOU'VE GOT TO DO IT!
No way!! I won't do it!
WHAT?
But...
HUH?
YOU'LL HAVE TO GO WITH A PANTY SHOT!
EBE-KO, I'M GETTING THE FEELING YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTS TO DO THIS...
I'LL DO IT TOO!
Sigh
VERY WELL...
HALT
OH!
READY? GO.
FLUP
RH
OH NO! NOW HE'S WORSE!

HE'S FLY-ING?!
HUH?!
VISH
DR. GUNJO!
YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR...
...GIN-IRO.

KA
SPIRIT THUN-DER!
HEH

JOLT
EH ?!
DR. GUNJO IS A PSYCHIC TOO?!
THEY WHY DOESN'T HE GO OUT ON MISSIONS?!
AH. YOU HAD TO ASK, HUH...
THAT'S RIGHT. DIDN'T YOU ALL KNOW?
HEAD OF THE ORGANIZATION
HE'S THE COM-MANDER OF PSI...
...KNOWN AS "FORTUNE EYES," ONE OF THE HIGHEST RANKING PSYCHICS HERE.
GULP
IT'S HARUKA GUNJO'S GREATEST SECRET...

WAH... IT'S SO SCARY WAY UP HERE!
YEE
KI
KISAKI, DON'T LET GO OF MY HAND! WHATEVER YOU DO, DON'T LET GO!!
KEEP HOLDING ON TO ME!
HE'S AFRAID OF HEIGHTS.
He's considered to be one of the three biggest PSI disappointments.
IT'S SO HIGH UP! THE WIND IS BLOWING! IT'S TICKLING MY FEET!!
NO! I'M SCARED ...
DOO M
LOOK, WE'RE FLOATING IN THE AIR.
YOU'RE ALL RIGHT, DR. GUNJO.
GINJIRO PASSED OUT
HELP ...!!
YEEK!
Pantheng

I see...
SO DR. GUNJO ISN'T A WOMAN AFTER ALL!
HMPH!
PLEASE DON'T ROPE US INTO YOUR PERSONAL MATTERS!
I was the biggest victim here.
HA HA, UNDERSTOOD. SORRY.
BUT I NEVER IMAGINED DR. GUNJO WAS AFRAID OF HEIGHTS...
PBFT
HE KEPT CLINGING TO ME SCREAMING THAT HE WAS SCARED.
GUFFAW
HE'S NOT A GIRL, BUT HE'S STILL GIRLY ...
HA HA HA HA HA
ACK!
RECOIL
YOU TRIED TO FIND OUT MY GREATEST SECRET KOSUGI?
KIK KIK
D-DR. GUNJO !!
YOU KNOW I HAVE POWERS TOO, CORRECT?
BEING LAUGHED AT BECAUSE I'M AFRAID OF HEIGHTS ...
...AND SAYING I'M GIRLY...
KIK

KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
SPIRIT THUNDER!
...ARE THE TWO THINGS I HATE THE MOST IN THIS WORLD !!!
PHOO
ADULTS ...
...ARE SO STUPID.
Geh.
Let's go home.

The Legend of Princess Sakura

SAKURA HIME

A new series from *Ribon* magazine!♥

☆Heian Era. Sakura Hime is 14 years old. Prince Ohra, her fiancé from the time she was born, orders her to move to the Capital... So Sakura Hime decides to flee but...

It's *Ribon*'s very first (I think!) Heian Era fantasy!!
It will be out soon.♥

Mistress ☆ Fortune Glossary

Page 68

EBE-ko: The suffix *-ko* is often added to a girl's name. EBE-ko is used as an affectionate nickname for the alien.

Page 97

Shonen manga: This is manga targeted to boys.

Page 103

Down Town: Down Town is a very popular comedian duo in Japan.

Yoiko: Yoiko is another comedian duo. Arino is famous for being an avid fan of anime, manga and computer games. He is called in the "Section Chief" in a TV show in which he plays retro video games and tries to clear them.

Lincoln: This is a comedy TV show in Japan.

Summers and Cream Stew: Summers and Cream Stew are both comedy duos.

Page 125

Creamy Mami: *Creamy Mami* is a magical shojo anime series from the '80s.

Page 143

Shiroganese: This is slang for a woman who lives in Shirogane, a posh area of Tokyo.

Platinum Street: This refers to *Gaien Nishi Dori* (Gaien West Avenue).

Page 147

Moe: *Moe* means to have an affection for or an attraction to something. It is often used in referring to anime, manga and game characters.

K-shi: The honorific *-shi* is more polite than *-san*.

Otaku: An *otaku* is a hobbyist. The term has a nerdy connotation.

Page 149

Kisaki-tan: The suffix *-tan* is an endearment.

Page 158

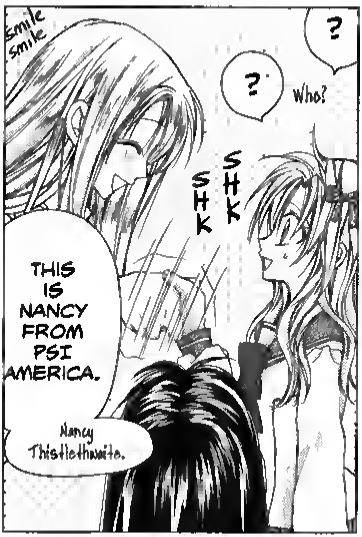
Seijo Madame: This is slang for a rich woman who lives in the Seijo area of Tokyo.

Page 190

Heian: The Heian era in Japan was from 794 to 1185.

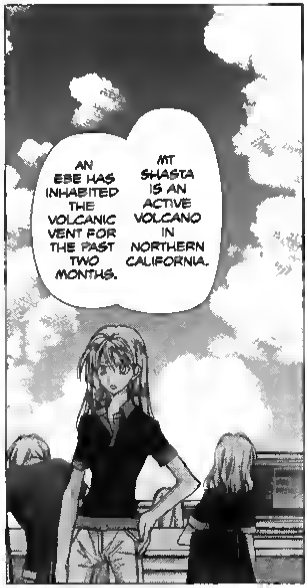
Editor's Afterword

When I was first told that Tanemura Sensei was using me as a character in *Mistress ☆ Fortune*, I was utterly surprised and delighted. It's a great honor to be a character in an Arina Tanemura manga (Thank you so very much, Sensei!), so I thought I would write a little about some of the scenes in the manga that take place in California.

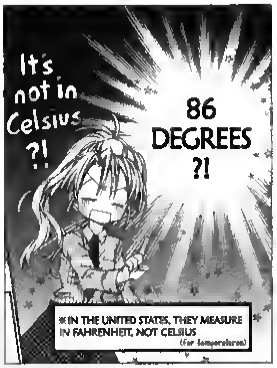


Tanemura Sensei came out to California in 2007 to visit VIZ Media in San Francisco and attend San Diego Comic-Con. The scene in which Kisaki meets Nancy is in reference to when I met Tanemura Sensei for the first time. She was touring the office, and when I got out of my chair to greet her, I could tell she was surprised at how tall I was. This became a gag scene in the manga.

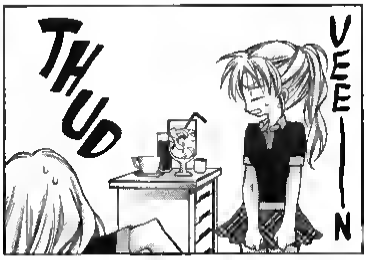
The PSI America building is reminiscent of downtown San Diego where Comic-Con is held.



The town of Mt Shasta is a popular place for Japanese tourists to visit. Mt Shasta is considered to be a place with healing and revitalizing powers, and there are hot springs in the area. The EBE probably chose the volcano as a way to enjoy a sauna of sorts.



Comic-Con takes place in July, and it was particularly hot that year.



After the Comic-Con panel, we went to a restaurant in Balboa Park called The Prado. The restaurant put an herb in the water glasses (basil leaves, I think?). It turns out they don't do that anymore…maybe due to too many shocked diners? (*laugh*)

My concept for *MisuFo* (*Mistress ☆ Fortune*) was "cute, light, silly." I wanted to draw something like this for a change... The story is only three chapters long, but I was very glad to hear that many readers have given it their support. I was able to reconfirm my love for fantasy, and I learned a lot from it even though it's a short story. Maybe someday I'll do a sequel? I guess this somewhat ambivalent attitude is the fun of *MisuFo*... ☆

–Arina Tanemura

Arina Tanemura began her manga career in 1996 when her short stories debuted in *Ribon* magazine. She gained fame with the 1997 publication of *I•O•N*, and ever since her debut Tanemura has been a major force in shojo manga with popular series *Kamikaze Kaito Jeanne*, *Time Stranger Kyoko*, *Full Moon*, and *The Gentlemen's Alliance †*. Both *Kamikaze Kaito Jeanne* and *Full Moon* have been adapted into animated TV series.